

I am opposed to this petition because

1. there is no other broadband option available in our area.

2. I've been with my ISP since their inception 10 years ago. I've seen how other ISP's treat their customers and I believe my current ISP is more customer oriented than QWest will ever be and I would like to be able to choose whom I want to deal with, not told whom I must deal with. This is supposed to be a country of "freedom of choice" let it stay that way. There are times when the government should not stick their nose in things and this is one of them.

3. Using Qwest for my telephone needs, I am not happy with their billing practices and I've had nothing but trouble with them everytime I've tried to add/change a package - sometimes it has taken as long as 2 months or more to get bills straightened out with them - I sure don't want to be forced to use them as an ISP.

4. I do not believe that Qwest's unregulated DSL pricing would continue to be fair since there is no other DSL provider in my area - they have a knack for knowing this and will raise their prices at the first opportunity while reducing their services or customer service standards.

Please do not force out the smaller ISP's. This is supposed to be "the land of opportunity".